**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH AT HYDERABAD**

**THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE N.V.RAMANA**

**Writ Petition No.6444 of 2007**
**DATED 16.43.2007**

BETWEEN
Kotte Mandaiah

.. Petitioner

And

The Central Power Distribution Company of Andhra Pradesh, (APCPDCL) rep by its Managing Director, Singareni Bhavan, Hyderabad and 2 others.

.. Respondents

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**ORDER:**

The petitioner, who claims to be a physically handicapped person, working under contractor as a shift operator in the respondent Company has filed this writ petition praying this Court to direct the respondents to consider his case for appointment to the post of Junior Linemen in Mahaboobnagar District.

It is the case of the petitioner that pursuant to the notification issued by the respondents for appointment to the post of Junior Linemen, he has applied and since the respondents have rejected his case on the grounds that he is not having necessary educational qualifications and that he is physically not fit to hold the post, he

approached this court seeking necessary directions.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned standing counsel for the respondent Company and at their request the writ petition is taken up for final disposal at the admission stage itself.

A perusal of the material on record clearly shows that the petitioner has passed ITI with fitter trade and not with electrical trade, which is the necessary qualification to hold the post of Junior Linemen. Further, even as per the certificate produced by the petitioner, he is a physically handicapped person with 50% disability. As per the notification, the incumbents have to climb the polls. Since the petitioner is 50% disabled, he cannot climb the polls. In the circumstances, the petitioner is not fully qualified to hold the post of Junior Linemen. Therefore, the rejection order passed by the respondents cannot be interfered with.

The writ petition is devoid of merits and it is accordingly dismissed. No costs.

**N.V.RAMANA,J**

Dt: 16.4.2007
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